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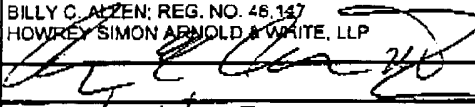
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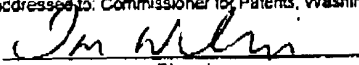
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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 24, 2002Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated October 24, 2002 for which the three-month date for response is January 24, 2003.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under be required for any reason, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Howrey Simon Arnold & White, LLP Deposit Account No. 01-2508/11564.0050.NPUS01.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

I. AMENDMENTS

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Please make the following amendments:

A. CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Please amend claim 12 as indicated below.

12. (Amended Once) The remote distribution cabinet of claim 1 further comprising an access panel separately covering each of the at least one panelboards, wherein when the access panel is removed, service can be performed on the at least one panelboard without exposing other energized components of the remote distribution cabinet.

A marked up version of the amended claim is attached in Appendix "A", the removed text being in brackets and the added text being underlined. A clean version of all the pending claims is attached in Appendix "B".

B. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the specification as originally filed with the clean form substitute specification attached in Appendix "C". A marked up version showing the changes between the substitute specification and the specification as originally filed is attached in Appendix "D". The deleted text is in **strikethrough text** and the added text is **underlined**. No new matter has been added by these amendments.

C. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Please replace Figure 1 as originally filed with the clean form Figure 1 attached in Appendix "E". A redline version of Figure 1 showing the changes in red is attached in Appendix "F".

Please add new Figure 11, which is attached in Appendix "G". No new matter is presented with the addition of Figure 11. Figure 11 has been added in response to the Examiner's objections of the drawings.

The Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's approval of amended Figure 1 and new Figure 11.

II. RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Claims 1-21 are pending. Claim 12 has been amended herein.

The Office Action rejected Claims 1-21. Reconsideration of the claims in light of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

A. DRAWINGS

The Examiner objected to the drawings under 37 CFR § 1.83(a). Specifically the Examiner indicated that the drawings must show every feature of the invention specified in the claims and noted that the tie-breaker of Claims 8, 9, and 21, and the current monitoring unit of claim 10 must be shown in the drawings. New Figure 11 has been added herein and is attached in Appendix G. No new matter has been added with the addition of Figure 11. New Figure 11 shows the feature of the tie-breaker 56 and the current monitoring units 57 and 58. In addition, a discussion of Figure 11 can be found Applicants' substitute specification on page 8, line 28 through page 9, line 9 of the marked up version of the substitute specification and in paragraph [0023] of the clean version of the substitute specification. Clean and marked up versions of the Applicants' substitute specification are attached in Appendices C and D, respectively.

The Examiner also indicated that "the access panel that allows visual inspection of the circuit breaker without opening the access panel" was not shown in the drawings. The Applicants respectfully disagree. The Applicants draw the Examiner's attention to amended Figure 1, original Figure 10, and to page 6, lines 19-22 and page 8, lines 3-8 of the marked up version of the substitute specification and in paragraphs [0016] and [0020] of the clean version of the substitute specification. As indicated the "access cover 47" allows visual inspection of the circuit breaker without the need to open the "access cover 47." A redline version of Figure 1 showing the proposed change is included in Appendix F, and a corrected Figure 1 is included in Appendix E.

Based on the foregoing, it is believed that the Examiner's objections to the drawings have been overcome.